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FCO MINISTER AWARE OF HK'S NATIONALITY CONCERN
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THE MINISTER OF STATE AT THE FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH OFFICE, MR TIMOTHY RENTON, SAID TODAY (THURSDAY) HE FULLY REALISED THE EXTENT TO WHICH THE NATIONALITY ISSUE WAS A MATTER OF CONCERN AND SENSITIVITY IN HONG KONG.

SPEAKING TO REPORTERS AT LOWU ON HIS ARRIVAL FROM CHINA, MR RENTON SAID HE HAD BEEN FOLLOWING THE DEBATES IN HONG KONG ON THIS SUBJECT.

+I ATTENDED THE HOUSE OF COMMONS DEBATE ON THIS ISSUE LAST THURSDAY, JUST A FEW HOURS BEFORE I CAUGHT THE AEROPLANE FOR PEKING.

+AND I SHALL NOW IN HONG KONG BE LISTENING CAREFULLY TO THE VIEWS EXPRESSED TO ME WHILE I AM HERE, AND THEN WHEN I GO BACK TO LONDON NEXT WEEK AFTER MY VISIT TO THAILAND, I SHALL BE REFLECTING THOSE VIEWS AND TALKING ABOUT THEM WITH MY MINISTERIAL COLLEAGUES IN LONDON,+ HE SAID.

MR RENTON SAID THIS WAS HIS SECOND MINISTERIAL VISIT TO HONG KONG IN UNDER THREE MONTHS, AND THAT IT REFLECTED HIS OWN CLOSE PERSONAL INTEREST IN THE TERRITORY.

HE SAID HE HAD COME HERE TO BRIEF THE GOVERNOR ON THE HONG KONG ELEMENT OF HIS DISCUSSIONS IN PEKING, TO MEET THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL AND TO HAVE DISCUSSIONS AND DINNER WITH THE UNOFFICIALS.

+AND I AM PARTICULARLY LOOKING FORWARD TO THAT,+ HE ADDED.

MR RENTON SAID HE WOULD HAVE NO TIME ON THIS OCCASION TO VISIT THE NEW TOWNS AND SEE SOME OF THE EXCITING DEVELOPMENTS IN HONG KONG AS HE DID LAST OCTOBER.

+BUT I SHALL BE USING MY TIME HERE TO THE BEST ADVANTAGE, INCLUDING I HOPE SEEING ALL OF YOU AT MY PRESS CONFERENCE AT 7.45 AM TOMORROW MORNING.+

ON HIS VISIT TO CHINA -- THE FIRST HE HAD EVER MADE -- MR RENTON SAID HE WAS PICKING UP AN INVITATION EXTENDED TO HIS PREDECESSOR, MR RICHARD LUCE, WHICH HAD TO BE CANCELLED WHEN HE BECAME MINISTER OF ARTS.

+IN THE COURSE OF THE LAST FIVE DAYS IN CHINA, I'VE BEEN ABLE TO VISIT SHANGHAI, CANTON AND JUST NOW SHENZHEN,+ HE SAID.

SHENZHEN WAS OF CONSIDERABLE INTEREST TO HONG KONG BECAUSE OF THE GROWING FINANCIAL INVESTMENT AND BUSINESS LINKS TOGETHER, HE SAID.

+IN PEKING, I HAD VERY USEFUL TALKS WITH A NUMBER OF CHINESE LEADERS AND I WAS VERY SATISFIED WITH THE GENERAL TONE OF THOSE TALKS,+ HE ADDED.

MEETING MR RENTON AT LOWU WERE THE GOVERNOR, SIR EDWARD YOUDE, THE SENIOR BRITISH TRADE COMMISSIONER, MR REG HOLLOWAY, AND THE GOVERNOR'S AIDE-DE-CAMP, SUPERINTENDENT PAUL COLLIER.

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VIOLENT CRIME CASES DOWN, OVERALL CASES UP
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REPORTED CASES OF VIOLENT CRIME DECLINED BY 4.5 PER CENT
THOUGH OVERALL CRIME ROSE BY 3.4 PER CENT IN THE FIRST THREE
QUARTERS OF LAST YEAR, COMPARED WITH THE SIMILAR PERIOD IN 1984.

THESE ARE AMONG SOME OF THE STATISTICS CONTAINED IN THE
JUST RELEASED FIFTH REPORT OF THE FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEE RECENTLY
SUBMITTED TO THE GOVERNOR.

WHILE OVERALL REPORTED CRIME IN THE PERIOD ROSE FROM
61 947 CASES TO 64 062, VIOLENT CRIME CASES DECLINED FROM
18 027 IN JANUARY TO SEPTEMBER 1984 TO 17 215 CASES IN THE SIMILAR
1985 PERIOD.

AMONG OTHER MATTERS DISCUSSED IN THE REPORT ARE THE
PROPOSED BAN ON IMITATION FIREARMS, THE QUALITY OF WATCHMEN, THE
CLOSURE OF VICE ESTABLISHMENTS IN RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS, TRIAD
AND GANG ACTIVITIES, ARRANGEMENTS FOR DEALING WITH YOUNG OFFENDERS,
AND THE CRIME LEVEL IN PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATES.

THE REPORT OF THE FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEE, WHOSE CHAIRMAN IS
THE CHIEF SECRETARY, ALSO SHOWS THAT THERE WAS A DECREASE OF
10.6 PER CENT IN THE NUMBER OF ROBBERIES.

THE NUMBER OF BURGLARIES INCREASED BY OVER 10 PER CENT,
AND SHOPLIFTING SHOWED A MARKED INCREASE OF OVER 50 PER CENT FROM
2 907 TO 4 483 CASES.

THE MAIN SUBJECTS COVERED BY THE REPORT ARE AS FOLLOWS:

- * THE LAUNCHING OF A TERRITORY-WIDE NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH SCHEME
TO DETER CRIME, PARTICULARLY BURGLARIES, IN MULTI-STOREY
BUILDINGS.

THE SCHEME INVOLVES GROUPS OF 10 TO 15 HOUSEHOLDERS IN
THE SAME BUILDING GETTING TOGETHER TO HELP EACH OTHER BY
KEEPING AN EYE ON THEIR NEIGHBOURS' HOMES WHEN THEY ARE AWAY
AND BY REPORTING TO THE POLICE ANY SUSPICIOUS PERSONS LOITERING
AROUND THE AREA.

- * THERE HAS BEEN A DECREASE IN THE NUMBER OF CASES INVOLVING
THE USE OF GENUINE FIREARMS AND +PISTOL-LIKE-OBJECTS+ IN
CRIME. THE WORKING GROUP ON THE USE OF FIREARMS IN CRIME
WILL CONTINUE TO MONITOR THE SITUATION.

A BILL TO BAN IMITATION FIREARMS IS STILL BEING PURSUED.
IT IS DESIGNED TO PROHIBIT THE IMPORT, SALE OR POSSESSION
OF REALISTIC IMITATIONS. MANUFACTURERS WOULD BE ABLE TO
APPLY FOR A LICENCE TO MANUFACTURE SUCH IMITATIONS BUT FOR
EXPORT ONLY.

A PROBLEM THAT HAS ARISEN IS HOW TO DEFINE SUFFICIENTLY
SPECIFICALLY AN IMITATION FIREARM OF THE PRESCRIBED CLASS.

- * THE WORKING GROUP ON HIGH-RISE BUILDINGS CONTINUED TO WORK ON A DRAFT BILL TO INTRODUCE AMENDMENTS TO THE WATCHMEN ORDINANCE.

IT HAS ISSUED A CIRCULAR CONTAINING GUIDELINES TO ADVISE GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS, WHICH ARE THE MAJOR EMPLOYERS OF WATCHMEN, ON LETTING AND SUPERVISING CONTRACTS FOR WATCHMEN.

THE GIST OF THIS WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC THROUGH THE DISTRICT FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEES SO THAT ORGANISATIONS SUCH AS MUTUAL AID COMMITTEES, OWNERS' CORPORATIONS AND OTHER BUILDING MANagements MAY DRAW ON THE GOVERNMENT'S EXPERIENCE.

- * ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES HAVE BEEN DRAWN UP FOR A PROPOSED SCHEME TO EASE THE PROBLEM OF NUISANCE CAUSED BY VICE-ESTABLISHMENTS IN RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS.

UNDER THE SCHEME, THE COURTS WOULD BE ASKED TO MAKE PROVISIONAL CLOSURE ORDERS IN CASES WHERE NUISANCE WAS PROVED BY RESIDENTS, AND BY SUCH ORGANISATIONS AS MUTUAL AID COMMITTEES OR RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATIONS.

THE CITY AND NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION WILL PREPARE FORMAL DRAFTING INSTRUCTIONS AND WILL LIAISE WITH THE RELEVANT DEPARTMENTS TO WORK OUT FURTHER DETAILS OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE SCHEME.

- * A SURVEY REPORT WAS CONSIDERED BY THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON UNRULY AND DELINQUENT BEHAVIOUR OF PUPILS IN SECONDARY SCHOOLS. IT REVEALED THAT THERE WAS A GENERAL DECREASE IN THE LEVEL OF UNRULY AND DELINQUENT BEHAVIOUR IN SEPTEMBER TO DECEMBER 1984 AS COMPARED WITH THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF 1983. CATEGORIES SHOWING AN INCREASE WERE +FAILING TO HAND IN ASSIGNMENTS/BRING TEXTBOOKS TO SCHOOLS+ AND +POSSESSION OF PORNOGRAPHIC MATERIALS+.

THE STANDING COMMITTEE WILL KEEP A CLOSE WATCH ON THE SURVEYS FOR JANUARY TO APRIL AND MAY TO AUGUST 1985 TO SEE IF ANY SIGNIFICANT CONCLUSIONS MAY BE DRAWN.

PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF MAJOR RECOMMENDATIONS RELATING TO STUDENT GUIDANCE AND COUNSELLING.

THE STANDING COMMITTEE ALSO MONITORED CLOSELY STATISTICS ON CRIMES INVOLVING STUDENTS AND YOUNG PERSONS AGED UNDER 21. ON TRIAD INFLUENCE OR GANG ACTIVITIES IN SCHOOLS, THE POLICE, WITH THE CO-OPERATION OF THE SCHOOL PRINCIPALS, HAVE CRACKED DOWN ON SOME GANGS WHICH HAD COERCED SCHOOL CHILDREN TO BECOME THEIR MEMBERS.

- * THE WORKING GROUP ON GANGS IS FORMULATING PROPOSALS TO DEAL WITH PROBLEMS OF TRIAD INVOLVEMENT IN HAWKING, WHOLESALE FISH MARKETS AND SQUATTER AREAS.

THERE ARE MANY THOUSANDS OF ILLEGAL HAWKERS IN THE URBAN AREAS AND IN THE NEW TERRITORIES. SUCH LARGE-SCALE ILLEGAL HAWKING PROVIDES CONSIDERABLE POTENTIAL FOR TRIAD ACTIVITY.

TRIADS OR GANGS ARE THOUGHT TO BE INVOLVED IN LEASING AND THE GENERAL ALLOCATION OF ILLEGAL HAWKING SPACES, AMONG OTHER ACTIVITIES.

INFORMATION GATHERED BY THE WORKING GROUP SUGGESTED THAT TRIAD ACTIVITIES ARE ALSO TAKING PLACE IN FISH MARKETING ORGANISATION (FMO) WHOLESALE FISH MARKETS. THE MAIN PROBLEM APPEARED TO BE UNAUTHORISED ACCESS TO THE SORTING AREAS OF THE FISH MARKETS.

THE DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES, WHO IS THE CHAIRMAN OF THE FMO, WILL ACT ON, AND HAS ALREADY TAKEN ACTION IN MOST OF, THE RECOMMENDATIONS MADE BY THE WORKING GROUP.

IN SQUATTER AREAS, PARTICULARLY IN KOWLOON EAST, THERE WAS A MAJOR PROBLEM OF TRIAD INVOLVEMENT IN THE ILLEGAL SUPPLY OF WATER AND ELECTRICITY. THE WORKING GROUP RECOMMENDED THAT SUFFICIENT BASIC AMENITIES SUCH AS WATER AND ELECTRICITY SHOULD BE PROVIDED IN SQUATTER AREAS TO REDUCE THE RISKS OF CRIMINAL EXPLOITATION OF THE SITUATION.

THE WORKING GROUP IS ALSO CONSIDERING SEVERAL PROPOSALS FOR LEGISLATIVE CHANGES TO FACILITATE THE PROSECUTION OF ORGANISED CRIME INVOLVING TRIADS AND GANGS.

- * THE WORKING GROUP ON YOUTH MADE RECOMMENDATIONS ON A RANGE OF ISSUES INCLUDING PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS TO THE POLICE SUPERINTENDENT'S DISCRETION SCHEME, THE SEPARATION OF YOUNG OFFENDERS FROM NON-OFFENDERS, AND THE SUGGESTION THAT EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMES IN PROBATION HOMES AND REFORMATORY SCHOOLS SHOULD BE RUN BY PROPERLY TRAINED TEACHERS.

THE WORKING GROUP IS ALSO CONSIDERING THE FEASIBILITY OF ESTABLISHING A YOUNG OFFENDER AUTHORITY BASICALLY TO ADVISE THE COURTS ON SENTENCING SO AS TO ENSURE THAT YOUNG OFFENDERS RECEIVE CONSISTENT TREATMENT AND THAT EACH YOUNG OFFENDER RECEIVES A SENTENCE MOST LIKELY TO REFORM HIM.

- * THE RESEARCH SUB-COMMITTEE STUDIED A REPORT ON CRIME IN PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATE BUILDINGS AND ON THE INVOLVEMENT OF PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATE TENANTS IN CRIME.

THE REPORT SHOWED THAT THE RATES PER 100 000 POPULATION LIVING IN PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATES FOR OFFENCES SUCH AS SERIOUS ASSAULT, SNATCHING, TRAFFICKING IN DANGEROUS DRUGS, RAPE AND INDÉCENT ASSAULT WERE ALL HIGHER THAN THE RATES IN PRIVATE RESIDENTIAL BLOCKS.

THE SUB-COMMITTEE DISCUSSED THE PROBLEM WITH THE HOUSING DEPARTMENT AND THE POLICE. IT WILL CONTINUE TO MONITOR THE CRIME SITUATION IN PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATES TO SEE IF THERE IS A TREND AND WILL STUDY THE POSSIBLE CAUSES OF THE HIGH OFFENDER RATE OF YOUNG PERSONS.

- * A WIDE RANGE OF SUBJECTS INCLUDING THE NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH SCHEME, TRIAD ACTIVITIES, JUVENILE DELINQUENCY AND VICE ESTABLISHMENTS WERE DISCUSSED BY THE 19 DISTRICT FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEES. MEMBERS OF THE CENTRAL FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEE ATTEND DISTRICT MEETINGS ON A REGULAR BASIS AND ARE REGULARLY BRIEFED ON DISTRICT CONCERNS. THE DISTRICT FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEES ARE PLAYING AN INCREASINGLY IMPORTANT ROLE IN THE FIGHT AGAINST CRIME.

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LAND AUCTION FETCHES \$116.4 MILLION

THE LANDS DEPARTMENT'S FIRST AUCTION OF 1986 REALISED A TOTAL OF \$116.4 MILLION TODAY (THURSDAY).

THE HIGHEST PRICE PAID WAS \$60 MILLION FOR A 3 650-SQUARE-METRE RESIDENTIAL SITE AT SOUTH BAY ROAD ON HONG KONG ISLAND (\$16 438 PER SQUARE METRE).

THE SITE WAS PREVIOUSLY SOLD LAST MAY, BUT THE SALE WAS CANCELLED WHEN THE BUYER FAILED TO PAY THE BALANCE OF THE PURCHASE PRICE.

IT WAS BOUGHT BY BEST ADVANCED LIMITED WHO IS REQUIRED UNDER THE BUILDING COVENANT TO DEVELOP NOT LESS THAN 6 570 SQUARE METRES OF GROSS FLOOR AREA ON THE SITE BEFORE MARCH 31, 1990.

THE REMAINING THREE SITES, ALL IN THE NEW TERRITORIES, ARE FOR INDUSTRIAL OR GODOWN DEVELOPMENT, ALTHOUGH IT IS STIPULATED IN THE CONDITIONS OF SALE THAT THEY ARE NOT TO BE USED FOR OFFENSIVE TRADES.

ONE MEASURING 13 350 SQUARE METRES AT NGAU PEI SHA STREET, SHA TIN, WAS BOUGHT FOR \$36 MILLION (\$2 697 PER SQUARE METRE) BY CRUCIAL INVESTMENTS LIMITED WHO MUST DEVELOP AT LEAST 28 035 SQUARE METRES OF FLOOR AREA BEFORE JANUARY 31, 1990.

ANOTHER MEASURING 3 231 SQUARE METRES AT TUI MIN HOI, SAI KUNG, WAS BOUGHT BY ASSOCIATED ENGINEERS LIMITED FOR \$6.1 MILLION (\$1 888 PER SQUARE METRE).

UNDER THE BUILDING COVENANT A MINIMUM 4 847 SQUARE METRES OF FLOOR AREA MUST BE COMPLETED BEFORE MARCH 31, 1989.

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THE THIRD, MEASURING 1 670 SQUARE METRES, IS AT TAI LIN PAI ROAD, KWAI CHUNG, AND WAS BOUGHT BY CHUN SHUN INDUSTRIES COMPANY LIMITED FOR \$14.3 MILLION (\$8 563 PER SQUARE METRE).

SALE CONDITIONS STIPULATE THAT THE BUYER MUST DEVELOP AT LEAST 9 519 SQUARE METRES OF FLOOR AREA BEFORE MARCH 31, 1990.

THE AUCTION HELD AT THE CITY HALL THEATRE WAS CONDUCTED BY GOVERNMENT LAND AGENT, MR BOB POPE.

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BUSY DAY FOR HEADS OF OVERSEAS OFFICES
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THE HEADS OF HONG KONG'S OVERSEAS OFFICES TODAY (THURSDAY) MET WITH MEMBERS OF THE TEXTILES AND TRADE ADVISORY BOARDS AND WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF LEADING TRADE AND INDUSTRY ASSOCIATIONS.

THE JOINT MEETING IN THE AFTERNOON OF TEXTAB AND TAB WAS ATTENDED BY MR COLVYN HAYE, COMMISSIONER, LONDON; MR PETER WISE, ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER COMMERCIAL, LONDON; MR DEREK JONES, MINISTER, BRUSSELS; MR MICHAEL CARTLAND, COUNSELLOR, GENEVA; MR BILL DORWARD, COMMISSIONER, NEW YORK; AND MR PETER LO, COUNSELLOR, WASHINGTON.

THE MEETINGS GAVE THE OPPORTUNITY FOR DISCUSSION OF ISSUES CURRENT IN EACH AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY AND ENABLED MEMBERS OF THE TWO BOARDS AND THE TRADE AND INDUSTRY ASSOCIATIONS TO HEAR OF THE PROBLEMS TO BE FACED IN THE COMING YEAR.

THEY ALSO MET WITH MR DUNCAN DWELLE OF THE AMERICAN FAIR TRADE COUNCIL WHO BRIEFED THEM ON THE WORK OF THE COUNCIL, A COALITION OF UNITED STATES INTERESTS ON THE WEST COAST CONCERNED ABOUT THE THREAT OF INCREASED PROTECTIONISM AGAINST THE TEXTILE AND APPAREL TRADE.

THE COALITION WAS PROMINENT IN LOBBYING AGAINST LAST YEAR'S THURMOND-JENKINS BILL.

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PAY CLAIM FROM NON-DIRECTORATE STAFF
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THE SECRETARY FOR THE CIVIL SERVICE, MR DAVID FORD, MET THE STAFF SIDES OF THE SENIOR CIVIL SERVICE COUNCIL AND THE MODEL SCALE 1 STAFF CONSULTATIVE COUNCIL THIS (THURSDAY) MORNING IN CONNECTION WITH THEIR PAY CLAIM SUBMITTED BETWEEN SEPTEMBER AND NOVEMBER.

THE POLICE FORCE COUNCIL ALSO MET WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CIVIL SERVICE BRANCH.

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THE RECENT FINDINGS OF THE STANDING COMMISSION ON CIVIL SERVICE SALARIES AND CONDITIONS OF SERVICE WERE EXPLAINED TO THE STAFF, PARTICULARLY AS REGARDS THE QUESTION WHETHER NON-DIRECTORATE CIVIL SERVICE SALARIES HAVE LAGGED BEHIND THOSE IN THE PRIVATE SECTOR.

THOSE FINDINGS SHOWED THAT DURING THE PERIOD 1980-85 NON-DIRECTORATE CIVIL SERVICE SALARIES HAD LAGGED BEHIND THE PRIVATE SECTOR BY 2.70 PER CENT CUMULATIVELY IN THE UPPER BAND (MASTER PAY SCALE 38-51), BY 0.36 PER CENT IN THE MIDDLE BAND (MPS 14-37), AND BY 0.32 PER CENT IN THE LOWER BAND (MPS 1-13).

THE STAFF SIDES MADE SOME PRELIMINARY OBSERVATIONS AND WOULD LET THE SECRETARY FOR THE CIVIL SERVICE HAVE THEIR FORMAL VIEWS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

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SPORT CENTRE FOR MENTALLY HANDICAPPED OPENED * * * * *

LADY YOUDE TODAY (THURSDAY) OPENED THE BRADBURY MOVEMENT CENTRE OF THE HONG KONG SPORTS ASSOCIATION FOR THE MENTALLY HANDICAPPED AT THE LEK YUEN COMMUNITY HALL IN SHA TIN.

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY, LADY YOUDE SAID THAT SPORT AND RECREATION PLAYED AN IMPORTANT PART IN PEOPLE'S LIVES AND IT WAS AS TRUE FOR THE MENTALLY HANDICAPPED AS FOR THOSE MORE FORTUNATE.

+AS WELL AS DEVELOPING OUR PHYSICAL STRENGTH AND CO-ORDINATION, SPORT AND RECREATION ALSO BRING US INTO CONTACT WITH OTHER PEOPLE. THIS HELPS TO DEVELOP A SENSE OF SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY,+ SHE SAID.

THE FIRST OF ITS KIND, THE CENTRE IS SPECIALLY DESIGNED FOR THE PHYSICAL TRAINING OF THE MENTALLY HANDICAPPED AND TO BE USED AS THE BASE FOR TRAINING VOLUNTEERS AND COACHES OF SPORTS FOR THE HANDICAPPED.

IT ALSO PROVIDES YEAR-ROUND TRAINING FOR ATHLETES TAKING PART IN SPORTS PROGRAMMES OF THE HONG KONG SPECIAL OLYMPICS WHICH ATTRACTED 10 000 PARTICIPANTS LAST YEAR.

SIX ATHLETES WERE SELECTED TO COMPETE IN THE 1985 INTERNATIONAL WINTER SPECIAL OLYMPICS AND WON ONE GOLD, TWO SILVER AND TWO BRONZE MEDALS.

LADY YOUDE THANKED THE ADMINISTRATORS OF THE BRADBURY CHARITABLE TRUST FUND FOR THEIR GENEROUS FINANCIAL SUPPORT.

SHE SAID THERE WAS NO DOUBT THAT THE CENTRE WOULD BE WIDELY USED AND THAT THE MENTALLY HANDICAPPED OF TODAY AND FUTURE GENERATIONS WOULD LEAD RICHER AND HAPPIER LIVES AS A RESULT.

LADY YOUDE ALSO PAID TRIBUTE TO THE WORK DONE BY THE HONG KONG SPORTS ASSOCIATION FOR THE MENTALLY HANDICAPPED AND SAID THAT IT HAD THE COMMUNITY'S RESPECT AND APPRECIATION FOR THE WORK DONE.

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VISIT TO ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITE
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ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE FOR A VISIT TOMORROW (FRIDAY) TO AN ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITE AT YUNG LONG IN DEEP BAY WHERE AN EXCAVATION COMMISSIONED BY THE GOVERNMENT IS IN PROGRESS.

MR BRIAN PEACOCK, A FORMER CURATOR OF THE HONG KONG MUSEUM OF HISTORY AND CONSULTANT IN CHARGE OF THE RECENTLY COMPLETED ARCHAEOLOGICAL SURVEY, AND EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF THE ANTIQUITIES AND MONUMENT OFFICE, MR YIP CHO-HONG, WILL BE PRESENT AT THE SITE.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE VISIT TOMORROW (FRIDAY).

TRANSPORT WILL BE PROVIDED. MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES SHOULD ARRIVE AT THE KOWLOON PUBLIC PIER BY 9.30 AM.

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RSD LEISURE ACTIVITIES IN TUEN MUN
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ABOUT 600 RECREATION AND SPORTS PROGRAMMES WERE OR WILL BE ORGANISED BY THE REGIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT IN TUEN MUN FROM APRIL 1985 TO MARCH 1986.

AT A MEETING OF THE TUEN MUN DISTRICT COMMITTEE OF THE PROVISIONAL REGIONAL COUNCIL, THE REGIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT'S DISTRICT LEISURE MANAGER (TUEN MUN), MR JIMMY CHOW, SAID ACTIVITIES INCLUDED FITNESS TRAINING, RACKET GAMES, TEAM SPORTS, OUTDOOR PURSUITS, INDIVIDUAL SPORTS AND VARIOUS ATHLETIC AND AQUATIC TRAINING AND COMPETITIONS.

+THE TOTAL EXPENDITURE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THESE PROGRAMMES, EXPECTED TO ATTRACT OVER 28 000 PARTICIPANTS, IS ESTIMATED TO BE \$578 000, OF WHICH \$403 000 WILL COME FROM THE RSD,+ MR CHOW SAID.

+TO BRING ENJOYMENT AND PLEASURE TO LOCAL RESIDENTS DURING THE LUNAR NEW YEAR HOLIDAY, A SERIES OF RECREATION AND SPORTS ACTIVITIES WILL BE HELD FROM FEBRUARY 13 TO 26,+ HE ADDED.

CULTURAL ACTIVITIES ORGANISED BY THE RSD IN THE NEXT TWO MONTHS WILL BE MAINLY IN THE FORM OF LIBRARY EXTENSION ACTIVITIES HELD IN THE TAI HING AND YAU OI PUBLIC LIBRARIES.

THEY INCLUDE BOOK EXHIBITIONS, INTEREST GROUPS, HI-FI CONCERTS, FILM SHOWS, VIDEO SCREENINGS AND OTHER EDUCATIONAL CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMES, THE DEPARTMENT'S CULTURAL SERVICES OFFICER, MR Y.C. LO SAID.

/+ADDITIONALLY,

+ADDITIONALLY, FREE ENTERTAINMENT PROGRAMMES PLANNED FOR FEBRUARY AND MARCH INCLUDE VARIETY SHOWS, CANTONESE OPERAS, ORCHESTRAL CONCERTS AND A DISC JOCKEY SHOW,+ HE ADDED.

ON LIBRARY SERVICES IN TUEN MUN, MR LO SAID THAT PENDING COMPLETION OF THE PERMANENT CENTRAL LIBRARY AT THE TUEN MUN CIVIC AND CULTURAL COMPLEX IN 1988-89, ANOTHER INTERIM LIBRARY WOULD BE SET UP AT BUTTERFLY ESTATE. OCCUPYING AN AREA OF 285 SQUARE METRES, IT WILL BE THE 17TH STATIC LIBRARY IN THE NON-URBAN AREAS WHEN COMPLETED IN MARCH.

AT PRESENT, TUEN MUN IS SERVED BY TWO INTERIM LIBRARIES AT TAI HING ESTATE AND YAU OI ESTATE.

AT THE MEETING, THE COMMITTEE DECIDED TO NAME THE CULTURAL COMPLEX NOW UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT TUEN MUN AS +TUEN MUN TOWN HALL+. IT IS EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED TOWARDS THE END OF THE YEAR. ITS FACILITIES WILL BE COMPARABLE TO THOSE AT THE TSUEN WAN TOWN HALL.

IT ALSO DECIDED TO NAME A NEW INDOOR RECREATION CENTRE AT AREA 5 OF TUEN MUN AS +TAI HING INDOOR RECREATION CENTRE+. IT WILL BE THE FIRST INDOOR RECREATION CENTRE RUN BY THE RSD IN TUEN MUN. PHASE 1 OF THIS PROJECT IS EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED IN FEBRUARY, 1987.

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WARNING AGAINST CUTTING TREES, PLANTS

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THE PUBLIC WERE TODAY (THURSDAY) REMINDED NOT TO CUT ANY TREES OR PLANTS ON CROWN LAND OR IN THE COUNTRYSIDE.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT WARNED THAT CUTTING TREES OR PLANTS ILLEGALLY WAS AN OFFENCE UNDER BOTH THE COUNTRY PARKS AND SPECIAL AREAS REGULATIONS AND THE FOREST AND COUNTRYSIDE ORDINANCE.

+THE MAXIMUM PENALTY FOR VIOLATING THE REGULATIONS IS A FINE OF \$2 000 AND THREE MONTHS' IMPRISONMENT. PROSECUTIONS BROUGHT UNDER THE ORDINANCE CAN RESULT IN A MAXIMUM FINE OF \$2 000 AND ONE YEAR'S JAIL SENTENCE,+ HE SAID.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID 16 PEOPLE WERE PROSECUTED LAST YEAR FOR CUTTING TREES AND PLANTS IN THE COUNTRYSIDE. FINES IMPOSED ON THEM BY THE COURTS EXCEEDED \$6 200.

SOME OF THESE CASES INVOLVED FLOWERING BRANCHES OF +TIU CHUNG+ (ENKIANTHUS) TREES WHICH ARE MUCH SOUGHT AFTER FOR DECORATIVE PURPOSE DURING THE LUNAR NEW YEAR.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID WILD FLOWERS SHOULD BEST BE APPRECIATED IN THEIR NATURAL HABITAT AND SHOULD NOT BE PICKED.

+IT IS IN THEIR OWN INTEREST THAT THE PUBLIC SHOULD ABIDE BY THE LAW AND HELP CONSERVE THE NATURAL ENVIRONMENT WHICH IS FOR ALL TO ENJOY,+ HE ADDED.

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SURVEY TO CANVASS VIEWS ON HAWKER POLICIES
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AN EXTENSIVE OPINION SURVEY IS BEING CONDUCTED IN MONG KOK TO ELICIT VIEWS OF RESIDENTS ON THE HAWKER AND MARKET POLICIES DOCUMENT RECENTLY ANNOUNCED BY THE WORKING GROUP ON HAWKER AND RELATED POLICIES.

THE SURVEY IS CONDUCTED BY A SPECIAL WORKING GROUP FORMED BY THE MONG KOK DISTRICT BOARD.

+THE BOARD HAD EXPRESSED CONCERN ABOUT THE NEW HAWKER POLICIES BECAUSE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROPOSALS WILL GREATLY AFFECT THE ENVIRONMENT AND HAWKING ACTIVITIES IN THE DISTRICT,+ THE CHAIRMAN OF THE WORKING GROUP, MR CLEMENT TAO, SAID.

+AS THERE ARE MORE THAN 6 000 HAWKERS OPERATING IN MONG KOK, THE BOARD HAS FOUND IT NECESSARY TO CONDUCT A THOROUGH STUDY OF THE DOCUMENT AND A COMPREHENSIVE SURVEY ON PUBLIC VIEWS,+ HE SAID.

THE WORKING GROUP IS RESPONSIBLE FOR STUDYING THE FEASIBILITY OF THE PROPOSALS, THEIR EFFECTS ON FUTURE URBAN COUNCIL DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS AND THE EXISTING HAWKER SITUATION ON THE DISTRICT AS WELL AS FOR GATHERING PUBLIC VIEWS ON THE CONSULTATION DOCUMENT.

MORE THAN 800 PEOPLE WILL BE INTERVIEWED IN THE SURVEY.

THEY INCLUDE SHOP OPERATORS AND MEMBERS OF BUILDING MUTUAL AID COMMITTEES WHERE LARGE NUMBERS OF HAWKER OPERATE NEARBY- HAWKERS MUTUAL AID COMMITTEES IN TUNG CHOI STREET, FA YUEN STREET AND CANTON ROAD- MEMBERS OF THE LOCAL YIN NGAI SOCIETY, SCHOOL PRINCIPALS AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.

THEY WILL BE ASKED ABOUT THEIR SHOPPING HABITS AND TO COMMENT ON THE ADEQUACY OF EXISTING HAWKER CONTROLS, AND VARIOUS ASPECTS OF THE NEW PROPOSALS, PARTICULARLY ON THE PROVISION OF HAWKER PERMITTED PLACES, THE RESITING OF ON-STREET HAWKERS AND THE REVISION OF LICENCE FEES.

AT PRESENT, DISCUSSIONS ON THE HAWKER POLICIES ARE BEING CARRIED OUT IN THE SIX AREA COMMITTEES TO ELICIT OPINIONS FROM A WIDE SPECTRUM OF THE PUBLIC.

A SEMINAR IS SCHEDULED FOR NEXT MONTH TO DISCUSS THE FEASIBILITY OF THE NEW PROPOSALS AND ITS EFFECTS ON MONG KOK. REPRESENTATIVES FROM LOCAL ORGANISATIONS, THE CITY POLYTECHNIC, SCHOOLS, SOCIAL WELFARE AND YOUTH ORGANISATIONS WILL BE INVITED TO ATTEND.

+THE FINDINGS OF THE SURVEY AND COMMENTS COLLECTED FROM THE DISCUSSIONS AND SEMINAR WILL BE COMPILED AND SUBMITTED TO THE DISTRICT BOARD AT THE END OF MARCH,+ MR TAO SAID.

+WE URGE RESIDENTS TO USE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO REFLECT THEIR VIEWS ON THE DOCUMENT. WE NEED THEIR COOPERATION AND SUPPORT TO MAKE OUR SURVEY A FAIR AND ACCURATE REPRESENTATION OF MONG KOK RESIDENTS' VIEWS ON THE NEW HAWKER POLICIES,+ HE ADDED.

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SEMINAR ON REGIONAL COUNCIL ORGANISED
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A SEMINAR TO INTRODUCE THE REGIONAL COUNCIL AND THE MARCH 6 ELECTION WILL BE HELD IN YUEN LONG ON SUNDAY (JANUARY 26).

THE SEMINAR, JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE YUEN LONG JAYCEES AND THE YUEN LONG DISTRICT OFFICE, WILL PROVIDE A FORUM FOR DISCUSSION ON THE ORGANISATION AND FUNCTIONS OF THE REGIONAL COUNCIL.

SPEAKERS AT THE SEMINAR INCLUDE MR MICHAEL SUEN, DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE REGIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT; TWO MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, MR ANDREW WONG AND MR CHEUNG YAN-LUNG, WHO IS ALSO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE PROVISIONAL REGIONAL COUNCIL.

THE SEMINAR WILL BE CHAIRED BY LEGISLATIVE COUNCILLOR MR TAI CHIN-WAH.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE SEMINAR ON REGIONAL COUNCIL, AT 2.30 PM ON SUNDAY (JANUARY 26) IN LUT SAU HALL, TAI YUK ROAD, YUEN LONG.

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BUILDING MANAGEMENT SEMINAR FOR CENTRAL, WESTERN
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A SEMINAR ON BUILDING MANAGEMENT AND SECURITY FOR CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT WILL BE HELD TOMORROW (FRIDAY).

THE SEMINAR, AIMED AT ENHANCING BUILDING MANAGEMENT KNOWLEDGE AND STRENGTHENING TIES BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT AND LOCAL RESIDENTS, IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE DISTRICT OFFICE, THE MULTI-STOREY BUILDING OWNERS ASSOCIATION OF CENTRAL DISTRICT AND THE MULTI-STOREY BUILDING OWNERS ASSOCIATION OF WESTERN DISTRICT.

GUEST SPEAKERS AT THE SEMINAR INCLUDE THE CHAIRMAN OF THE HONG KONG DEED OF MUTUAL COVENANT AFFAIRS ASSOCIATION, MR ALEXANDER CHANG= AND THE POLICE REGIONAL CRIME PREVENTION OFFICER (HONG KONG ISLAND), MR SAN WING-KAN.

SUBJECTS INCLUDE DEED OF MUTUAL COVENANT OF MULTI-STOREY BUILDINGS, THE ORDINANCE OF THE OWNERS' CORPORATION, BUILDING SECURITY AND CRIME PREVENTION.

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ABOUT 200 REPRESENTATIVES OF OWNERS' CORPORATIONS AND RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATIONS ARE EXPECTED TO ATTEND THE MEETING.

THE SEMINAR WILL START AT 8 PM IN THE ASSEMBLY HALL OF THE CHIU CHOW CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, 10TH FLOOR, 81-85 DES VOEUX ROAD WEST. DISTRICT RESIDENTS ARE ALSO WELCOME TO ATTEND.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE WELCOME TO COVER THE SEMINAR.

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COMMITTEE TO FOSTER BETTER COMMUNITY LINKS

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THE DEVELOPMENT OF DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION TAKES A STEP FORWARD FOLLOWING THE FORMATION OF THE KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT SCHOOL PRINCIPALS' LIAISON COMMITTEE, KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT OFFICER, MR GORDON JONES, SAID TODAY (THURSDAY).

SPEAKING AT THE INAUGURATION MEETING OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE, MR JONES SAID IT SHOULD DEVELOP STRONG LINKS AND BETTER COMMUNICATION WITH THE GOVERNMENT, DISTRICT BOARD, DISTRICT'S COMMITTEES, AREA COMMITTEES AND LOCAL ORGANISATIONS.

THROUGH THESE CHANNELS, MORE PEOPLE WOULD BECOME CONCERNED WITH THE WELFARE OF THE COMMUNITY AND PARTICIPATE MORE ACTIVELY IN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, HE ADDED.

+IN THE CAPACITIES AS SCHOOL PRINCIPALS AND COMMUNITY LEADERS, THEY HAVE AN IMPORTANT ROLE TO PLAY IN THE FUTURE DEVELOPMENT OF HONG KONG.

+HONG KONG'S ONLY NATURAL RESOURCE IS ITS PEOPLE AND SCHOOL PRINCIPALS, AS THE EDUCATORS OF YOUNG MINDS, BEAR A VERY WEIGHTY RESPONSIBILITY IN ENSURING THAT THIS RESOURCE IS CULTIVATED TO THE HIGHEST POSSIBLE STANDARDS,+ HE SAID.

MR JONES SAID THE FUTURE OF HONG KONG DEPENDED ON THE YOUNG, AND IT WAS THROUGH THE EFFORTS AND EXAMPLES OF EDUCATORS THAT STUDENTS WOULD DEVELOP INTO MATURE, THINKING AND CARING CITIZENS WITH COMMITMENT TO HONG KONG AND ITS WAY OF LIFE.

HE SAID THE GOVERNMENT HOPED TO ESTABLISH SCHOOL PRINCIPALS' LIAISON COMMITTEES IN ALL OF THE 19 ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICTS TO PROMOTE BETTER COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN SCHOOL PRINCIPALS AND VARIOUS GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS.

+IN RECENT YEARS, SCHOOLS HAVE BECOME MORE INVOLVED IN ALL KINDS OF COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES,+ SAID MR JONES.

+IN PARTICULAR, SCHOOL PRINCIPALS HAVE PLAYED AN INCREASING IMPORTANT ROLE IN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND MANY PRINCIPALS ARE ALREADY MEMBERS OF THE DISTRICT BOARD, AREA COMMITTEES, LOCAL DISTRICT COUNCILS FOR ARTS AND CULTURE, RECREATION AND SPORTS AND WELFARE FOR THE ELDERLY.+

THE KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT BOARD HAS 28 MEMBERS, NINE OF WHOM ARE EITHER SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS, PRINCIPALS OR TEACHERS.

THE KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT, WITH OVER 170 SCHOOLS, HAS THE LARGEST NUMBER OF SCHOOLS IN ANY OF THE 19 ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICTS IN HONG KONG.

THESE INCLUDE 79 SECONDARY SCHOOLS, 51 PRIMARY SCHOOLS AND 41 KINDERGARTENS. SOME 70 SCHOOL PRINCIPALS HAVE JOINED THE COMMITTEE.

MR JONES SAID IT WAS VERY IMPORTANT THAT THE GOVERNMENT, THROUGH THE DISTRICT OFFICE, ESTABLISHED FORMAL LINKS WITH SCHOOLS IN ORDER TO BROADEN ITS LIAISON NETWORK IN THE LOCAL COMMUNITY.

IT WAS HOPED THAT THE COMMITTEE WOULD PROVIDE AN INFORMAL FORUM FOR SCHOOL PRINCIPALS IN THE DISTRICT, THROUGH REGULAR MEETINGS, TO DISCUSS MATTERS AND PROBLEMS OF MUTUAL CONCERN, HE SAID.

MR JONES SAID THE DISTRICT OFFICE AND THE DISTRICT BOARD WOULD FOCUS ITS COMMUNITY BUILDING EFFORTS ON CIVIC EDUCATION IN 1986 AND SCHOOL PRINCIPALS SHOULD BE ENCOURAGED TO GIVE FULL SUPPORT TO IT.

IN RELATION TO THE FORTHCOMING URBAN COUNCIL ELECTION ON MARCH 6, MR JONES URGED COMMITTEE MEMBERS TO GIVE THEIR FULL SUPPORT BY CASTING THEIR VOTES AND TO ENCOURAGE THEIR COLLEAGUES AND FRIENDS TO DO THE SAME.

PRESENT AT TODAY'S INAUGURATION MEETING INCLUDED A PRINCIPAL ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE CITY AND NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION, MR C.M. LEUNG- CHAIRMAN OF KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT COMMUNITY BUILDING COMMITTEE, THE REV PETER CHOW; CHAIRMAN AND VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT SCHOOL PRINCIPALS' LIAISON COMMITTEE, MR LOI TING-SHIIN AND MR KO CHOK-KAI.

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IMPORTANCE OF DEVELOPING MANAGERIAL TALENT STRESSED
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IF HONG KONG IS TO CONTINUE WITH THE DEVELOPMENT OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND EXPORT-ORIENTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY, LOCAL MANAGERS AND EXECUTIVES MUST HAVE ADEQUATE OPPORTUNITIES TO KEEP ABREAST WITH MODERN CONCEPT AND PRACTICE OF MANAGEMENT.

SENIOR UNOFFICIAL MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL, SIR S.Y. CHUNG, SAID THIS WHEN HE ADDRESSED A GROUP OF SENIOR MANAGERS AND EXECUTIVES IN A FORUM AT THE OPEN DAY OF THE VOCATIONAL TRAINING COUNCIL'S MANAGEMENT DEVELOPMENT CENTRE (MDC) THIS AFTERNOON.

HE SAID NEW AND MORE SOPHISTICATED MANAGEMENT TOOLS WERE NECESSARY TO KEEP PEOPLE AND MACHINES OPERATING AT HIGH PRODUCTIVITY LEVELS BECAUSE MANAGEMENT PROBLEMS AND MANAGEMENT ITSELF WERE BECOMING MORE COMPLEX.

SIR S.Y. SAID THE ADVANCEMENT OF TECHNOLOGY, SUCH AS THE USE OF COMPUTER AND MATHEMATICAL CONCEPTS IN PLANNING AND DECISION MAKING, DEMANDED MANAGERS WITH HIGHER LEVEL OF EDUCATION AND TRAINING.

ON THE OTHER HAND, HE ADDED, MANAGERS OF TODAY HAD TO COPE WITH A NEW BREED OF MORE HIGHLY EDUCATED AND GREATER ASPIRATION WORKFORCE THAN IN THE PAST.

IT WAS GOOD TO SEE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE MDC FOR DEVELOPING HONG KONG'S MANAGERIAL TALENT TO MEET THE CHANGING AND CHALLENGING DEMANDS IN THE WORLD MARKET PLACE OF THE FUTURE, SIR S.Y. SAID.

THE MDC, MANAGED BY THE VOCATIONAL TRAINING COUNCIL'S COMMITTEE ON MANAGEMENT AND SUPERVISORY TRAINING (CMST), HAS BEEN SET UP TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY AND QUANTITY OF MANAGEMENT IN HONG KONG.

THE COMMITTEE'S CHAIRMAN, MR PETER BARRETT, SAID THE CENTRE HAD NOW PROVED ITS WORTH BY THE CONTINUING OVER-SUBSCRIPTION TO ITS PROGRAMMES.

IN PARTICULAR, HE SAID, THE GENERAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME, DESIGNED TO DEVELOP CONFIDENT, PROFESSIONAL GENERAL MANAGERS FOR HONG KONG BUSINESS, HAD BEEN WELL RECEIVED.

THE CENTRE ALSO PUBLISHED SOME INTERESTING RESEARCH WORK IN THE PAST YEAR AND MADE AVAILABLE INFORMATION ABOUT MANAGEMENT DEVELOPMENT, COURSES AND RESOURCES TO LOCAL COMPANIES.

IN THE PLANNING STAGE WERE SOME PILOT PROJECTS IN DISTANCE OR OPEN MANAGEMENT LEARNING, IN CHINESE AND ENGLISH, THAT COULD BE USED BY BUSINESS ON AN IN-COMPANY BASIS, MR BARRETT SAID.

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STUDENTS GET CHANCE TO LEARN FROM ELECTIONS

STUDENTS WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY OF LEARNING MORE ABOUT THE POLITICAL SYSTEM OF HONG KONG DURING THE URBAN COUNCIL AND THE REGIONAL COUNCIL ELECTIONS ON MARCH 6, THE SECRETARY FOR DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION, MR DONALD LIAO, SAID TODAY (THURSDAY).

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF TUNG WAH GROUP OF HOSPITAL S.C. GAW MEMORIAL COLLEGE IN TSING YI, MR LIAO SAID THE DEVELOPMENT OF CIVIC EDUCATION WAS A CONTINUOUS EFFORT.

+BY ATTENDING LECTURES AND JOINING ACTIVITIES OUTSIDE CLASSROOMS, STUDENTS WILL BE ABLE TO PREPARE THEMSELVES BETTER FOR THE FUTURE AND AT THE SAME TIME LEARN MORE ABOUT THE STRUCTURE OF THE SOCIETY AND THE MEANING OF PARTICIPATION,+ HE SAID.

A SERIES OF EXHIBITIONS AND FORUMS WOULD BE HELD THROUGHOUT HONG KONG IN THE NEXT FEW WEEKS TO INTRODUCE THE WORK OF THE URBAN COUNCIL AND THE REGIONAL COUNCIL AND THE PLATFORMS OF CANDIDATES.

+STUDENTS SHOULD TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THESE ACTIVITIES TO LEARN THE DEVELOPMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT AND THE MEANING OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION,+ HE SAID.

MR LIAO PRAISED THE TUNG WAH GROUP OF HOSPITALS FOR ITS DIVERSIFIED DEVELOPMENT AND ITS EFFORT TO PROVIDE EDUCATION SERVICES FOR NEW TERRITORIES RESIDENTS.

SITUATED AT TIGER'S HEAD ON TSING YI, THE S.C. GAW MEMORIAL COLLEGE IS ONE OF THE MANY SCHOOLS SPONSORED BY THE TUNG WAH GROUP OF HOSPITALS, PROVIDING SECONDARY SCHOOL PLACES FOR STUDENTS LIVING ON TSING YI AND THE NEARBY AREAS.

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LIBRARY SKILL WORKSHOPS FOR TEACHERS

GOVERNMENT AND AIDED PRIMARY SCHOOL TEACHERS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND TWO SEPARATE SERIES OF WORKSHOPS ON CURRICULUM-RELATED ACTIVITIES AND BASIC LIBRARY SKILLS FROM MARCH TO JUNE.

ORGANISED BY THE LIBRARY SECTION, ADVISORY INSPECTORATE OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, EACH OF THE 24 WORKSHOPS WILL CONSIST OF TWO SESSIONS.

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A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT SAID THE AIM OF THE WORKSHOPS WAS TO INTRODUCE TO TEACHERS SUITABLE ACTIVITIES TO STIMULATE PUPILS' READING INTEREST AND TO ACQUAINT PUPILS WITH CERTAIN BASIC LIBRARY SKILLS.

THESE ACTIVITIES INCLUDE ILLUSTRATED TALKS, PRACTICAL WORK AND DISCUSSIONS.

THE WORKSHOPS WILL BE HELD AT THE EXTRA-MURAL TOWN CENTRE, UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG, WING ON CENTRE, EIGHT FLOOR, 111 CONNAUGHT ROAD CENTRAL.

GOVERNMENT AND AIDED SCHOOL HEADS WISHING TO NOMINATE TEACHERS TO THE WORKSHOPS ARE ADVISED TO SUBMIT THEIR APPLICATION FORMS TO THE SENIOR INSPECTOR, LIBRARY SECTION, ADVISORY INSPECTORATE, EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, FIFTH FLOOR, LEE GARDENS, HYSAN AVENUE, CAUSEWAY BAY, BEFORE JANUARY 31.

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EXHIBITION TO HIGHLIGHT FEELINGS, EXPERIENCES
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THE VIEWS, FEELINGS AND PERSONAL EXPERIENCES OF FORMER MENTAL PATIENTS AND OF THEIR FRIENDS, RELATIVES AND NEIGHBOURS WILL BE EXPRESSED THROUGH ABOUT 30 ARTICLES TO BE DISPLAYED AT AN EXHIBITION AT THE SHA TIN NEW TOWN PLAZA.

THE SEVEN-DAY EXHIBITION STARTING ON SATURDAY (JANUARY 25) IS ORGANISED BY THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE OF THE SHA TIN DISTRICT BOARD.

BOARD CHAIRMAN, MR NG CHAN-LAM, THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE, DR FANNY CHEUNG, AND SHA TIN DISTRICT OFFICER, MR LAM WOON-KWONG, WILL OFFICIATE AT THE OPENING OF THE EXHIBITION.

THE EXHIBITION IS PART OF THE SERIES OF EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMES SPONSORED BY THE DISTRICT BOARD AND ORGANISED BY THE COMMITTEE'S WORKING GROUP ON COMMUNITY PSYCHIATRIC REHABILITATION EDUCATION.

THE WORKING GROUP WAS SET UP LAST JUNE WITH THE AIM OF EDUCATING RESIDENTS IN SHA TIN ON COMMUNITY HEALTH EDUCATION, MENTAL ILLNESS AND PSYCHIATRIC REHABILITATION SERVICES.

PROJECTS COMPLETED BY THE WORKING GROUP INCLUDE A TWO-MONTH TRAINING COURSE JOINTLY HELD WITH THE CHINESE UNIVERSITY, AND A FOUR-SESSION TRAINING PLAN UNDER A VOLUNTEER SCHEME WITH 33 PARTICIPANTS.

/THE PARTICIPANTS

THE PARTICIPANTS HAVE CONTRIBUTED WHAT THEY HAVE LEARNED
BY TAKING PART IN VARIOUS RELATED ACTIVITIES FOR THE NEEDY.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE EXHIBITION
AT 1.30 PM ON SATURDAY (JANUARY 25) AT THE ENTRANCE ARENA IN THE
NEW TOWN PLAZA, SHA TIN.

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ANTI-NARCOTICS RUN ON SUNDAY
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ABOUT 1 300 RUNNERS ARE EXPECTED TO TAKE PART IN THE 4 000-
METRE-LONG ANTI-NARCOTICS RUN ON SUNDAY (JANUARY 26) MORNING.

THE RUN, STARTING FROM KOWLOON TSAI PARK SPORTS GROUND,
IS ORGANISED BY THE ACTION COMMITTEE AGAINST NARCOTICS (ACAN)
YOUTH VOLUNTEER GROUP UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE GOVERNMENT
SECRETARIAT'S NARCOTICS DIVISION.

THE COMMISSIONER FOR NARCOTICS, MR GORDON MORTIMER, WILL
OFFICIATE AT THE STARTING CEREMONY TO BE HELD AT 10.30 AM.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE EVENT.

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ETV NOTES ON SALE TOMORROW
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THE EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION (ETV) NOTES FOR THE SECOND
SCHOOL TERM OF 1985-86 WILL BE ON SALE FROM TOMORROW (FRIDAY).

BULK SALES OF THE NEW ETV NOTES WILL BE CONDUCTED AT THE
GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS STORE AT 665 KING'S ROAD, NORTH POINT,
WHILE INDIVIDUAL SALES WILL AS USUAL BE HANDLED AT THE GOVERNMENT
PUBLICATIONS SALES CENTRE, GPO BUILDING, GROUND FLOOR, CENTRAL,
AND MAJOR BOOKSTORES.

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THE PARTICIPANTS HAVE COMMITTED WHAT THEY HAVE LEARNED BY TAKING PART IN VARIOUS WELFARE ACTIVITIES FOR THE NEEDY.

NOTE TO EDITORS

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE EXHIBITION AT 1:30 PM ON SATURDAY (JANUARY 26) AT THE BOYSCOUTS ARENA AT THE NEW YORK PLAZA, 234 TH ST.

ANTI-NARCOTICS RUN ON SUNDAY

ABOUT 1,000 RUNNERS ARE EXPECTED TO TAKE PART IN THE 4,000-PIECE ANTI-NARCOTICS RUN ON SUNDAY (JANUARY 26) MORNING.

THE RUN, STARTING FROM HOWLON (234) PARK BEATS GROUND, IS ORGANIZED BY THE ACTION COMMITTEE AGAINST NARCOTICS (ACAN). YOUTH VOLUNTEER GROUP UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT'S NARCOTICS DIVISION.

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NOTE TO EDITORS

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE SYMPOSIUM.

ETV NOTES ON SALES TOMORROW

THE EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION (ETV) NOTES FOR THE SECOND SCHOOL TERM OF 1965-66 WILL BE ON SALE FROM TOMORROW (FRIDAY).

BOOK SALES OF THE NEW ETV NOTES WILL BE CONDUCTED AT THE GOVERNMENT EDUCATIONAL STORE AT 234 TH ST., NORTH POINT. WHILE INDIVIDUAL SALES WILL AS USUAL BE HANDLED AT THE GOVERNMENT EDUCATIONAL SALES CENTRE, 230 BUILDING, GROUND FLOOR, CENTRAL, AND MAJOR BOOKSTORES.

WINNING DANCERS TO PERFORM
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WINNERS OF THE SIXTH SHA TIN DISTRICT DANCE COMPETITION WILL GIVE A SPECIAL PERFORMANCE AT THE SCHOOL HALL OF THE KIANGSU-CHEKIANG COLLEGE IN SHA TIN ON SATURDAY (JANUARY 25).

THE WINNERS, OF THE CHILDREN, JUNIOR, SOCIAL DANCE NOVICES AND THE OPEN GROUPS, WILL ALSO RECEIVE PRIZES FROM MRS CHRISTINE LIAO, WIFE OF THE SECRETARY FOR DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION.

THE JING YING DANCE TROUPE AND THE HONG KONG DANCING ASSOCIATION WILL PERFORM THAT EVENING.

OTHER GUESTS AT THE FUNCTION INCLUDE THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SHA TIN DISTRICT BOARD, MR NG CHAN-LAM; CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD'S CULTURE AND SPORTS COMMITTEE, MR WONG PO-MING; CHAIRMAN OF THE SHA TIN ARTS ASSOCIATION, MR WONG LUEN-KIN; ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER, MR JONATHAN NG AND THE DISTRICT LEISURE MANAGER OF THE REGIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT, MR LAU TAK-SHIU.

A TOTAL OF 26 TEAMS TOOK PART IN THE ANNUAL COMPETITION HELD ON JANUARY 12.

THE DANCE COMPETITION, SEEN AS ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT ACTIVITIES IN THE PROMOTION OF DANCING IN THE DISTRICT, WAS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE SHA TIN ARTS ASSOCIATION AND THE REGIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT, AND CO-ORGANISED BY THE DISTRICT OFFICE WITH SPONSORSHIP FROM THE DISTRICT BOARD.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE WINNERS' PERFORMANCE AND PRIZE PRESENTATION CEREMONY OF THE SIXTH SHA TIN DISTRICT DANCE COMPETITION TO BE HELD AT 7.30 PM ON SATURDAY IN THE SCHOOL HALL OF THE KIANGSU-CHEKIANG COLLEGE IN WO CHE, SHA TIN.

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VARIETY SHOW TO PROMOTE INDUSTRIAL SAFETY
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THE EMPHASIS OF PROMOTING INDUSTRIAL SAFETY LIES NOT ONLY IN LAW ENFORCEMENT, BUT ALSO IN EDUCATION AND THE CO-OPERATION OF ALL PARTIES CONCERNED, THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT'S CHIEF FACTORY INSPECTOR, MR YIP YUK-LUN, SAID TODAY (THURSDAY).

SPEAKING AT A PRESS CONFERENCE ON AN INDUSTRIAL SAFETY VARIETY SHOW, HE SAID THE PROGRAMME WAS AIMED AT AROUSING AWARENESS OF THE IMPORTANCE OF SAFETY AMONG WORKERS AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC, BY COMBINING SAFETY MESSAGES WITH ENTERTAINMENT.

+IT ALSO SIGNIFIES THE TRIPARTITE EFFORTS BY THE GOVERNMENT, EMPLOYERS AND WORKERS IN ACHIEVING A COMMON GOAL -- THE PROMOTION OF SAFETY AT WORK AND THE PREVENTION OF ACCIDENTS,+ MR YIP SAID.

THE SHOW IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT AND RADIO TELEVISION HONG KONG, CO-SPONSORED BY DOW CHEMICAL PACIFIC CO. LTD. AS PART OF THE 1985-86 INDUSTRIAL SAFETY CAMPAIGN.

DR HO KAM-FAI, A MEMBER OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, MR RON BRIDGE, COMMISSIONER FOR LABOUR AND MR SIMON LUN, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF BROADCASTING, WILL OFFICIATE AT THE OPENING CEREMONY AT 8 PM TOMORROW (FRIDAY) AT THE ACADEMIC COMMUNITY HALL.

+WE HOPE THE CO-OPERATION BETWEEN THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT AND RTHK WILL BE EVEN MORE FRUITFUL IN PROMOTING INDUSTRIAL SAFETY IN THE FUTURE,+ MR YIP ADDED.

ALSO PRESENT AT THE PRESS CONFERENCE WAS MR PAUL TSE, TV PRODUCER OF RTHK.

THE VARIETY SHOW WILL FEATURE LOCAL TV ARTISTES AND SINGERS, DEANIE YIP, PAT CHAN, ALBERT AU, ANNIE LIU AND TONY LEUNG KA-FAI.

THE SHOW WILL BE RECORDED FOR SCREENING ON TVB'S JADE NETWORK AT 10.30 PM ON SATURDAY (JANUARY 25).

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YOUTH FORUM TO DISCUSS COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

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A FORUM WILL BE HELD ON SUNDAY (JANUARY 26) IN YAU MA TEI TO AROUSE A CONCERN AMONG YOUTHS IN COMMUNITY AFFAIRS.

ENTITLED +CHANNELS FOR YOUTHS IN PARTICIPATING COMMUNITY AFFAIRS+, THE FUNCTION IS ORGANISED BY THE YAU MA TEI-MONG KOK DISTRICT YOUTH AND COMMUNITY SERVICES CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE.

IT WILL BE HELD AT THE HENRY G. LEONG YAU MA TEI COMMUNITY CENTRE AT 60 PUBLIC SQUARE STREET AT 2.30 PM.

GUEST SPEAKERS WILL INCLUDE UNOFFICIAL MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, MRS ROSANNA TAM AND MR SZETO WAH= THE CHAIRMAN OF YAU MA TEI DISTRICT BOARD, MR YIP WAH, AND THE CHAIRMAN OF MONG KOK DISTRICT BOARD, MR CHOW CHUN-FAI.

MR CHAN YUK-CHEUNG OF RADIO TELEVISION HONG KONG WILL BE THE MODERATOR OF THE FORUM.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THE FORUM.

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SEMINAR TO PROMOTE CIVIC EDUCATION
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ABOUT 400 COMMUNITY YOUTH CLUB SUPERVISORS AND HEADS OF SCHOOLS WILL ATTEND A SEMINAR ON THE PROMOTION OF CIVIC EDUCATION THROUGH CYC ACTIVITIES ON SATURDAY (JANUARY 25).

THE SEMINAR, ORGANISED BY THE COMMUNITY YOUTH CLUB OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, WILL BE HELD AT THE LECTURE THEATRE OF GRANTHAM COLLEGE OF EDUCATION, GASCOIGNE ROAD, YAU MA TEI, AT 9 AM.

THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, MR MICHAEL LEUNG, WILL OFFICIATE AT THE OPENING, WHILE AN UNOFFICIAL MEMBER OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, MR YEUNG PO-KWAN, WILL GIVE A TALK AT THE SEMINAR.

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TRAFFIC CHANGES FOR INTERNATIONAL MARATHON
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TOLO HIGHWAY SOUTHBOUND CARRIAGEWAY BETWEEN ISLAND HOUSE INTERCHANGE AND MA LIU SHUI INTERCHANGE WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC BETWEEN 5 AM AND 2 PM ON SUNDAY (JANUARY 26) TO ALLOW THE +1986 HONG KONG INTERNATIONAL MARATHON+ TO BE HELD.

DURING THE CLOSURE, KMB EXPRESS ROUTES 72X AND 74X WILL CONTINUE TO USE TOLO HIGHWAY ON NORTHBOUND JOURNEYS.

ON SOUTHBOUND JOURNEYS, THE EXPRESS ROUTES WILL BE DIVERTED NON-STOP TO TAI PO ROAD AND SHA TIN ROAD.

MOTORISTS HEADING FOR MA LIU SHUI PIER, MEISHA PIER, THE SHATIN SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT AND NEARBY DESTINATIONS SHOULD TRAVEL ALONG TOLO HIGHWAY NORTHBOUND AND PROCEED VIA THE MA LIU SHUI INTERCHANGE.

VEHICLES LEAVING THE AREA CAN ONLY TRAVEL ALONG TOLO HIGHWAY NORTHBOUND WHILE THOSE HEADING FOR DESTINATIONS SOUTH OF ISLAND HOUSE INTERCHANGE CAN PROCEED VIA THE INTERCHANGE TO JOIN SOUTHBOUND TAI PO ROAD.

AS TRAFFIC CONGESTION MAY OCCUR ON TAI PO ROAD NEAR KWONG FUK ESTATE, RESIDENTS ARE URGED TO USE PUBLIC TRANSPORT.

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TRAFFIC CHANGES IN CENTRAL
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CENTRAL BUS STATION WILL BE MADE A 24-HOUR PROHIBITED ZONE FROM 10 AM ON SATURDAY (JANUARY 25) WHERE NO VEHICLE OTHER THAN FRANCHISED BUSES WILL BE ALLOWED TO ENTER.

MEANWHILE, GLENEALY AND THE SECTION OF LOWER ALBERT ROAD BETWEEN WYNDHAM STREET AND ICE HOUSE STREET WILL BE RE-ROUTED ONE-WAY NORTHBOUND FROM 10 AM ON SUNDAY (JANUARY 26).

VEHICLES HEADING FOR GLENEALY WILL HAVE TO TRAVEL VIA UPPER ALBERT ROAD. HONG KONG ISLAND GREEN MINIBUS ROUTE NO. 8, 11, 22 AND 28 WILL ALSO BE DIVERTED TO UPPER ALBERT ROAD AND CAINE ROAD ON THEIR JOURNEYS TO BAGUIO VILLA (LOWER), TIN WAN, POK FU LAM GARDENS AND BAGUIO VILLA (NORTH).

IN ADDITION, VEHICLES EXCEEDING 5.5 TONNES GROSS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO ENTER THE SECTION OF SEYMOUR ROAD BETWEEN CAINE ROAD AND CASTLE ROAD FROM 8 PM ON SUNDAY TO 6 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY.

VEHICLES WILL HAVE TO TRAVEL VIA BREEZY PATH AND ROBINSON ROAD. CMB ROUTE NO. 12 ON ITS JOURNEY TO ROBINSON ROAD AND ROUTE NO. 23A ON ITS JOURNEY TO LAI TAK TSUEN WILL BE DIVERTED TO OPERATE VIA PARK ROAD AND ROBINSON ROAD.

THE MEASURE WILL BE REPEATED BETWEEN 8 PM ON MONDAY (JANUARY 27) TO 6 AM THE NEXT MORNING.

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EDINBURGH PLACE NORTH CLOSURE
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EDINBURGH PLACE NORTH BETWEEN QUEEN'S PIER AND HMS TAMAR WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC FROM 9 AM ON SATURDAY (JANUARY 25) TO MIDNIGHT IN CONNECTION WITH THE GALA OPENING OF THE HONG KONG ARTS FESTIVAL 1986.

DURING THE CLOSURE, NO VEHICLES EXCEPT THOSE WITH LABELS ISSUED BY THE HONG KONG ARTS FESTIVAL SOCIETY WILL BE ALLOWED TO ENTER THE SAID ROAD.

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TUEN MUN, TSUEN WAN TRAFFIC CHANGES
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THE JUNCTION BETWEEN BUTTERFLY ESTATE ACCESS ROAD IN TUEN MUN AND LUNG MUN ROAD WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC FROM 10 AM ON SATURDAY (JANUARY 25) FOR ABOUT THREE MONTHS TO FACILITATE ROAD WORKS IN CONNECTION WITH THE LIGHT RAIL SYSTEM.

DURING THE CLOSURE, TRAFFIC INCLUDING KMB ROUTES NOS. 59, 59A, 59B, 59M, 59S AND 61A, NOW USING LUNG MUN ROAD AND BUTTERFLY ESTATE ACCESS ROAD TO AND FROM THE BUTTERFLY-WU KING AREA, WILL BE DIVERTED TO WU KING ROAD AND WU SHAN ROAD.

WITH EFFECT FROM THE SAME TIME, THE FOLLOWING SECTIONS OF SHING MUN ROAD, TSUEN WAN, WILL BE DESIGNATED RESTRICTED ZONES FROM 7 AM TO 7 PM DAILY:

* SHING MUN ROAD NORTHBOUND BETWEEN CASTLE PEAK ROAD AND SAI LAU KOK ROAD;

* SHING MUN ROAD SOUTHBOUND BETWEEN TEXACO ROAD AND CASTLE PEAK ROAD.

NO VEHICLES WILL BE ALLOWED TO STOP FOR PASSENGERS OR GOODS WITHIN THE RESTRICTED ZONES.

MEANWHILE, THE EXISTING 24-HOUR RESTRICTED ZONE ON THE SECTION OF SHING MUN ROAD BETWEEN TEXACO ROAD AND CASTLE PEAK ROAD WILL BE LIFTED.

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